



PRINCIPAL PLANNER – RESOURCE CONSENTS

- **Technical Resource Consents expertise required**
- **Make a positive difference to the region and community**
 - **Permanent, full-time role based in Nelson**

At the heart of the region, Nelson City Council is a Unitary Authority responsible for providing key infrastructure, community facilities and services, economic development and a range of regulatory functions including land use and natural resource management. Nelson City Council is always striving to deliver an even better service and a sustainable regional future for its vibrant community. There has been dynamic growth in regional development activity and with this, we require a Principal Planner Resource Consents.

The passionate and dedicated Resource Consents team work to process a large number of diverse consents, ranging from waterfront and inner-city apartments, comprehensive housing developments, water permits, air and coastal discharges with a significant and complex science component, earthworks and subdivisions, through to the more conventional consents.

Reporting to an inspiring and exceptionally experienced Team Leader Resource Consents, you will be the Council's subject matter expert and the technical lead for the more complex consents. You will contribute to the continuous improvement of internal operating procedures to ensure legislative compliance and best practice processing.

Therefore, it is essential that you can demonstrate your depth and breadth of technical expertise and experience to draw from as this is a fast-paced work environment. You will play a key role in sharing your knowledge and expertise, and with that, we are looking for a Principal who is dynamic, shows initiative and will take responsibility for delivering results within a customer-centric environment.

Your strong technical expertise will be fortified by your ability to deliver high quality and timely resource consents decisions through exceptional time management, you will have advanced knowledge and application of the various legislative frameworks such as the RMA that underpin the consent hearing processes and procedures, and experience in the preparation and presentation of expert witness evidence for the Environment Court.

Needless to say, you will bring exceptional interpersonal communication skills, strong stakeholder engagement, and relationship management skills, with sound judgment and problem-solving abilities. Essential is a relevant tertiary qualification as well as relevant professional membership for continued professional development would be advantageous.

This is a challenging role to suit a Principal Planner that is already operating at this level, or for an experienced Senior Planner (ready to step up or wanting a broader focus), who possesses the mix of technical, leadership and relationship management skills essential in this role.

In return, Nelson City Council offers an enjoyable, rewarding and flexible working environment and this position provides a career step with depth and diversity.

Nelson is a thriving city set within a diverse region with a gorgeous natural environment, amazing weather and easy access to beautiful natural resources which provide a wonderful backdrop for businesses and communities in which to live, work and play. As this beautiful city and region continue to grow, there is a constant vibe generated by a buoyant economy, exciting future development, a wealth of arts, cultural, sporting and hospitality activities and the tourism gateway to numerous regional attractions.

To register your interest in this superb opportunity, please submit your details in absolute confidence via our registration process attaching both an up-to-date CV and cover letter (in Word please). Alternatively, for a confidential conversation, you can contact Amanda Scott, Consulting Director at talentnow! on 021784483 or email amanda.scott@talentnow.co.nz

Applications close midnight on Friday 5th April 2019.

We cordially invite candidates that have the relevant outlined experience and are eligible to work in New Zealand.